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LEFT LENS — *RED* **RIGHT LENS — *BLUE***

STORIES OF THE BYGONE DAYS OF THE TRANSFORMERS RARELY COME TO LIGHT. THIS IS ONE SUCH TALE OF THE DECEPTICON'S SEARCH FOR NEW ENERGY SOURCES.
TRANSFORMERS
ART
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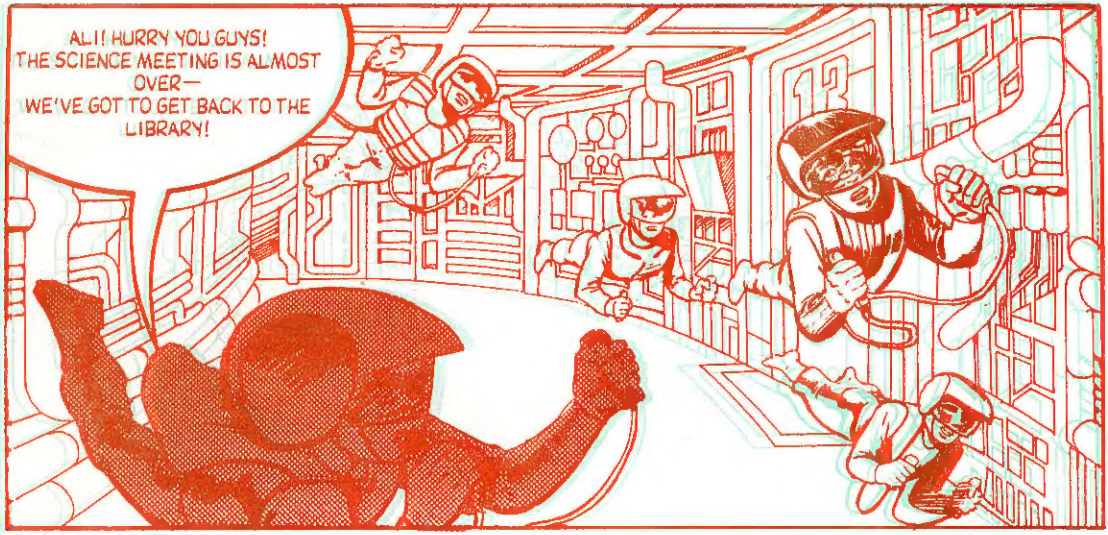
STORY
ANDREA LAFRANCE
THE DECEPTICONS DESCEND ON THE UNSUSPECTING, PEACEFUL SCIENTIFIC SPACE STATION OF EXTON 9, BRINGING A NEW WEAPON AND A MALICIOUS MISSION.
PREPARE TO UTILIZE THE SUSPENSION-RAY BEAM.
THOSE FLESHLINGS WILL NEVER KNOW WHAT HIT THEM . . .
S.S. EXTON 9
...UNTIL THEY AWAKEN ON CYBERTRON, AS SLAVES OF OUR ENERGY RESEARCH LABORATORY.

THAT TAKES CARE OF THEIR PATHETIC AUTOMATED DEFENSE MECHANISM---NOW NOTHING CAN STOP US!
KA-THOOOM

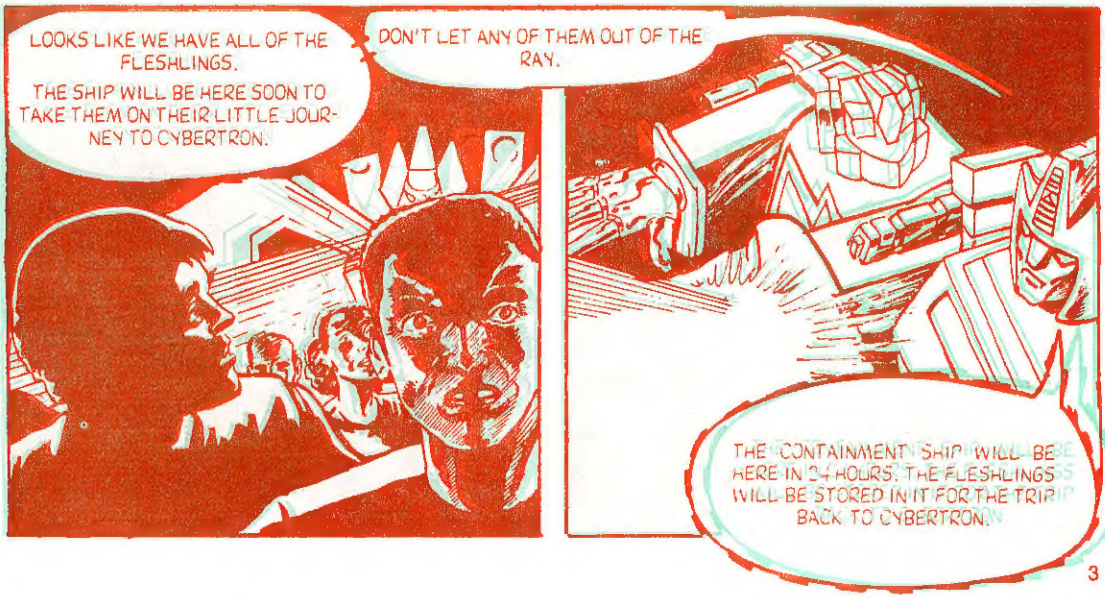
ARE ALL THE FLESHLINGS IN THE CENTRAL LABORATORY?
ALL PRESENT.

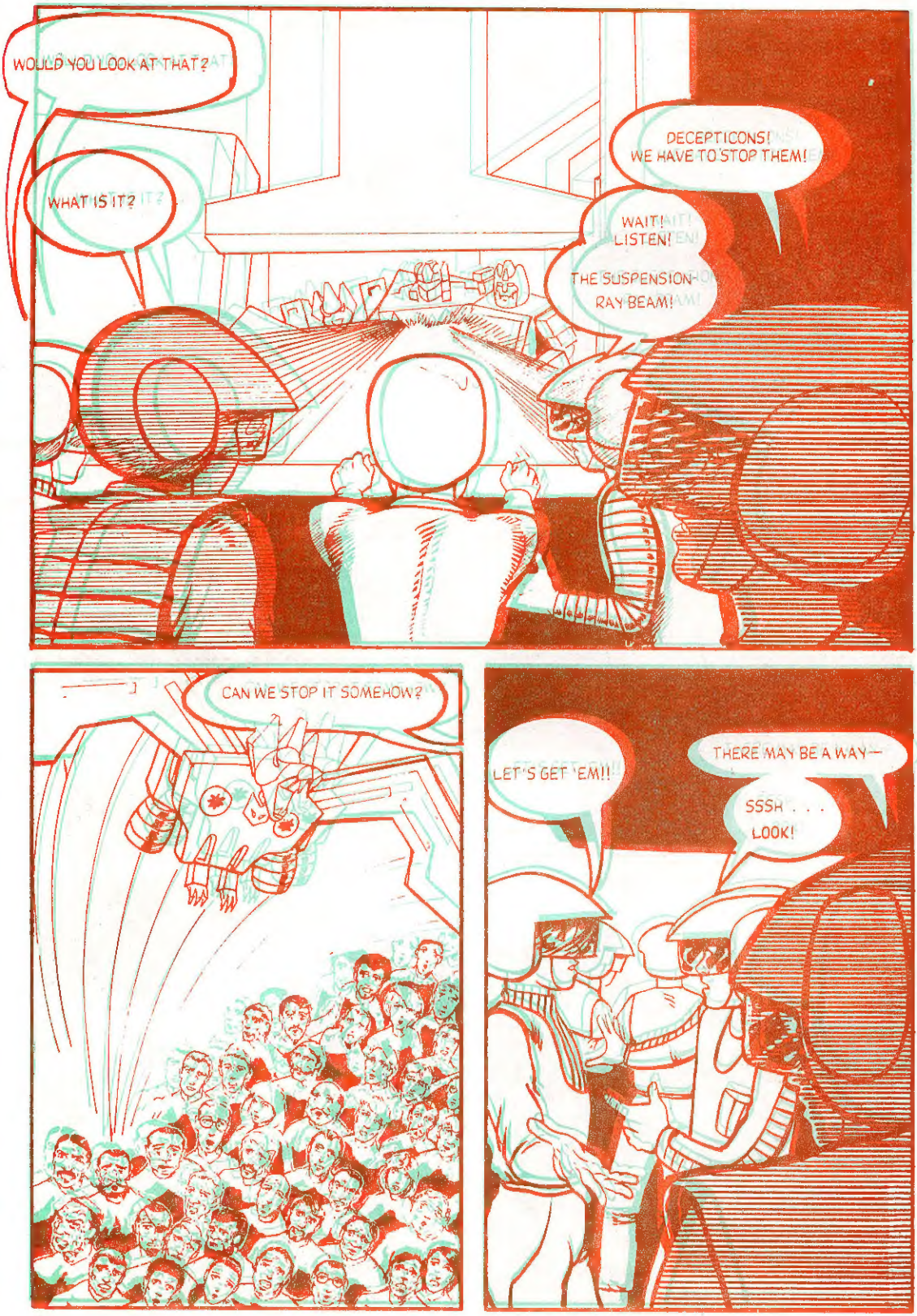
FLESHLINGS! PLEASANT DREAMS . . . SEE YOU ON CYBERTRON.

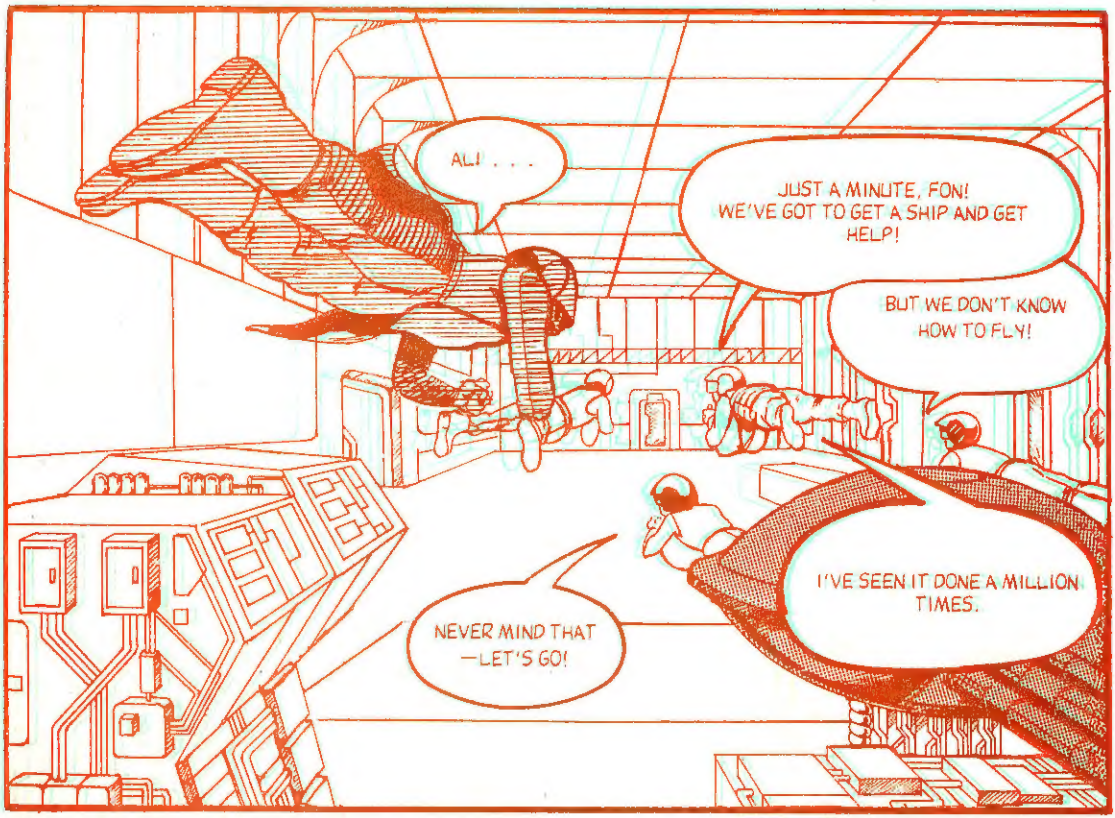
THEY DIDN'T EVEN HAVE TIME TO BE AFRAID . . . YET.


ALI! HURRY YOU GUYS! THE SCIENCE MEETING IS ALMOST OVER— WE'VE GOT TO GET BACK TO THE LIBRARY!

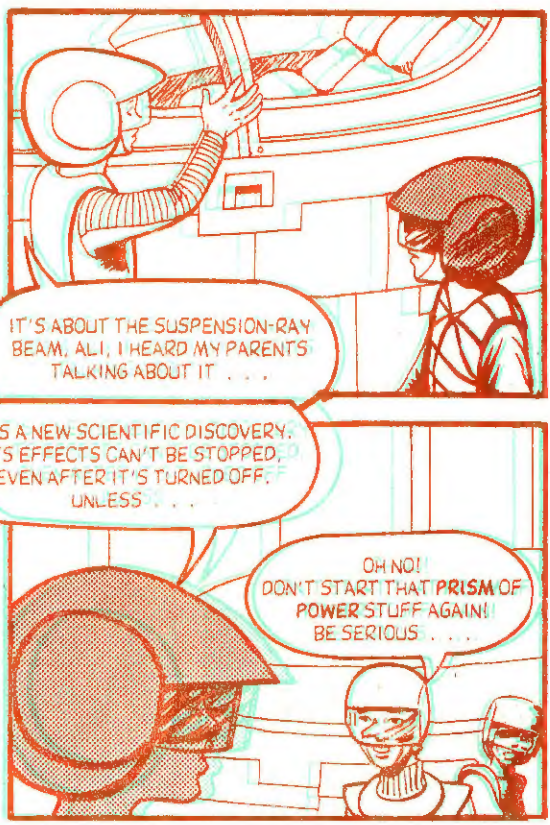
COME ON, LET'S GET OVER TO THE LIBRARY. WE'RE SAFE, NO ONE'S HERE YET. THEY'LL NEVER KNOW WE WEREN'T STUDYING THE WHOLE TIME.
WHERE IS EVERYBODY?


LOOKS LIKE WE HAVE ALL OF THE FLESHLINGS.
THE SHIP WILL BE HERE SOON TO TAKE THEM ON THEIR LITTLE JOURNEY TO CYBERTRON.
DON'T LET ANY OF THEM OUT OF THE RAY.
THE CONTAINMENT SHIP WILL BE HERE IN 24 HOURS. THE FLESHLINGS WILL BE STORED IN IT FOR THE TRIP BACK TO CYBERTRON.

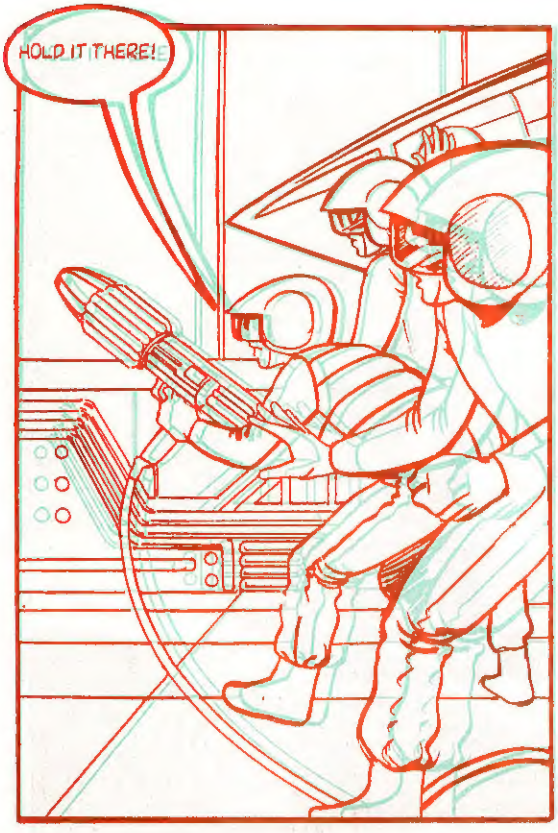

WOULD YOU LOOK AT THAT?
WHAT IS IT?
DECEPTICONS! WE HAVE TO STOP THEM!
WAIT! LISTEN!
THE SUSPENSION-RAY BEAM!
CAN WE STOP IT SOMEHOW?
LET'S GET 'EM!!
THERE MAY BE A WAY—
SSSH . . . LOOK!

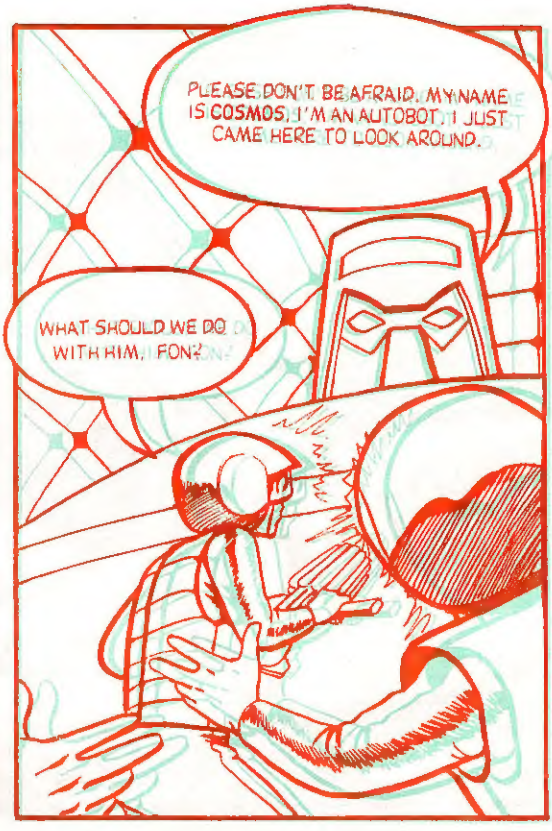

ALI . . .
JUST A MINUTE, FON! WE'VE GOT TO GET A SHIP AND GET HELP!
BUT WE DON'T KNOW HOW TO FLY!
I'VE SEEN IT DONE A MILLION TIMES.
NEVER MIND THAT —LET'S GO!

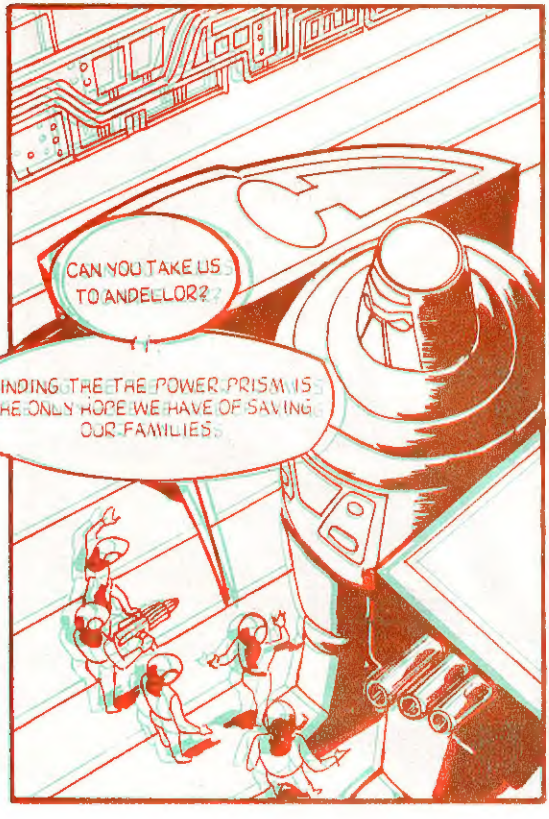
ALI, I HAVE TO TELL YOU SOMETHING.
WHAT IS IT, FON?


IT'S ABOUT THE SUSPENSION-RAY BEAM, ALI, I HEARD MY PARENTS TALKING ABOUT IT . . .
IT'S A NEW SCIENTIFIC DISCOVERY. ITS EFFECTS CAN'T BE STOPPED, EVEN AFTER IT'S TURNED OFF, UNLESS . . .
OH NO! DON'T START THAT PRISM OF POWER STUFF AGAIN! BE SERIOUS . . .

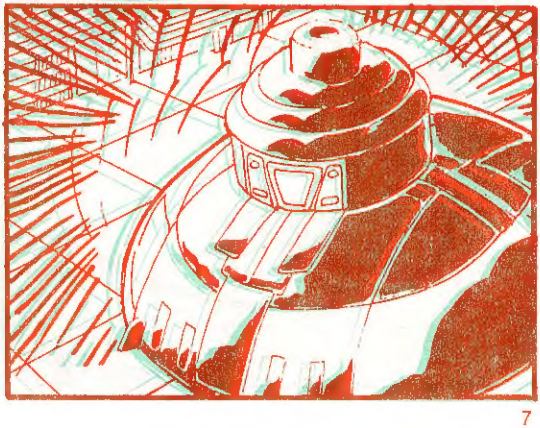
WHAT'S THAT?
HASN'T ANYONE TOLD YOU ABOUT THE PRISM OF POWER?
IT'S THE SUM TOTAL OF ALL THE KNOWLEDGE IN THE GALAXY IN CRYSTALLINE FORM. IF ANYTHING HAS OUR SOLUTION, THAT'S IT.
BUT PROFESSOR BUSH TOLD ME THAT'S JUST A MYTH. NO ONE'S EVER SEEN IT!
TALK ABOUT A LONG SHOT . . .
LOOK!
IS THAT ONE OF THEM . . . A DECEPTICON?
I DON'T KNOW. WE CAN'T BE SURE.
MAYBE HE CAN TAKE US TO ANDELOR TO GET THE PRISM!


HOLD IT THERE!


PLEASE DON'T BE AFRAID. MY NAME IS COSMOS. I'M AN AUTOBOT. I JUST CAME HERE TO LOOK AROUND.
WHAT SHOULD WE DO WITH HIM, FON?


CAN YOU TAKE US TO ANDELLOR?
FINDING THE THE POWER PRISM IS THE ONLY HOPE WE HAVE OF SAVING OUR FAMILIES.

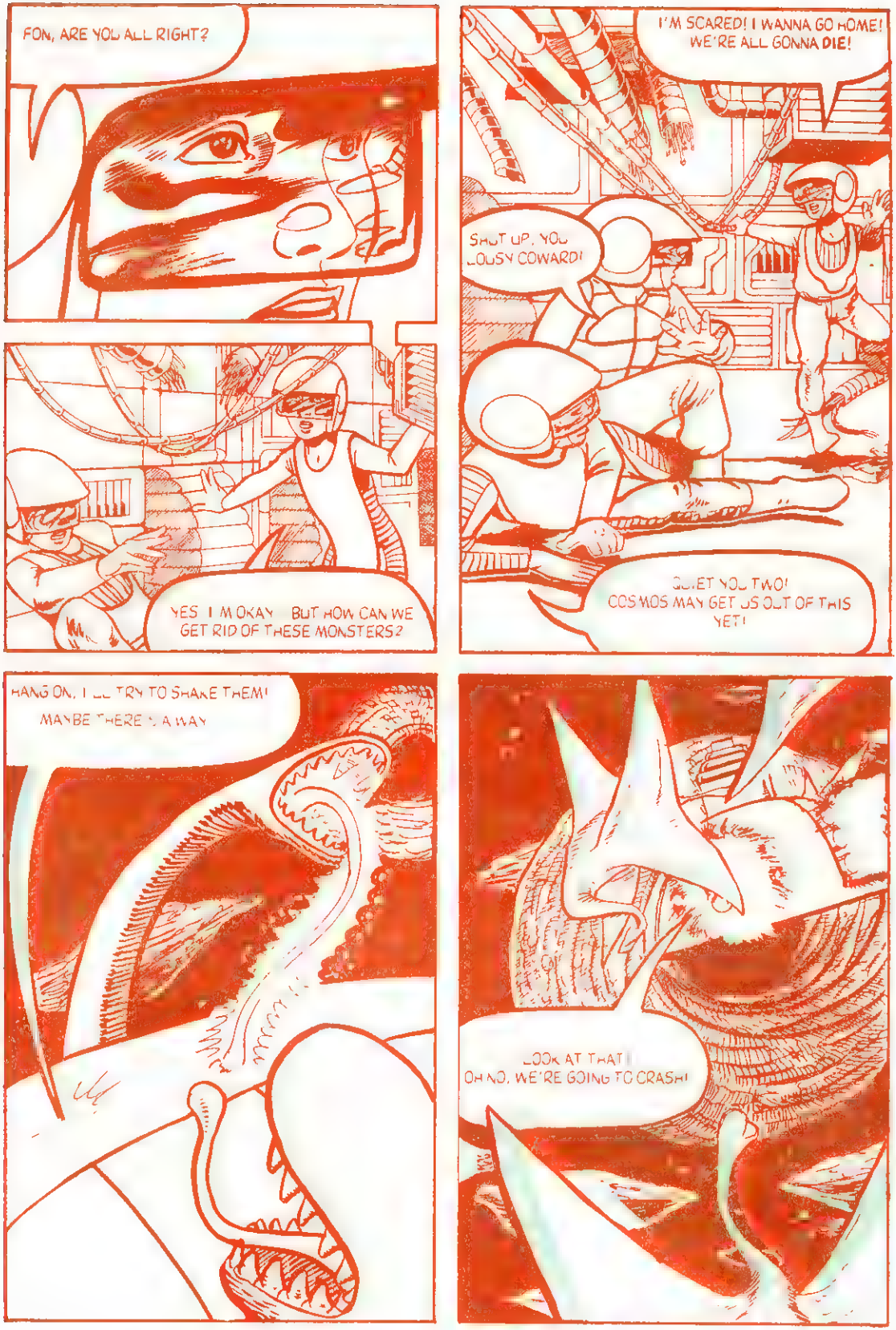
I CAN TAKE YOU THERE, BUT IT IS DANGEROUS FOR YOU TRAVEL TO THE PLANET SURFACE BELOW.
WE'RE NOT AFRAID.



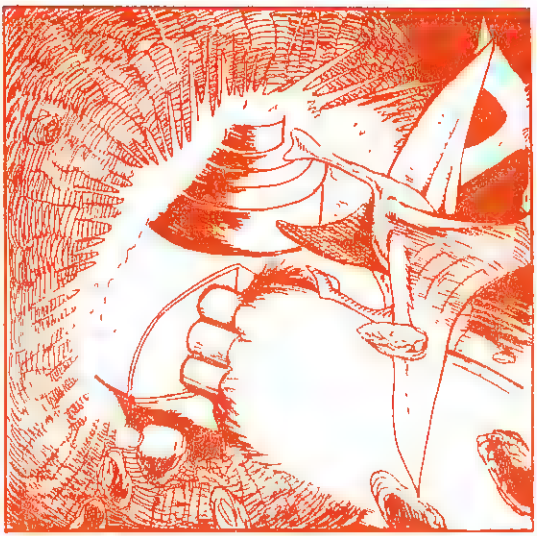
ALL RIGHT KIDS—JUMP ON BOARD!
HURRY! WE ONLY HAVE 48 HOURS BEFORE THE MOTHER SHIP COMES TO TAKE OUR PARENTS AWAY!
WHAT'S THAT? AN AUTOBOT SHIP?
NO, IT'S NOT POSSIBLE—THEY HAVE NO PATROLS IN THIS SECTOR.
WELL WE CAN'T FOLLOW IT NOW—SOMEONE HAS TO KEEP THESE FLESHLINGS PARALYZED. BUT SEND A MESSAGE TO CYBERTRON, JUST IN CASE. WE DON'T WANT ANY SURPRISES.
HANG ON! WE'RE HEADED FOR THE ASTEROID BELT.

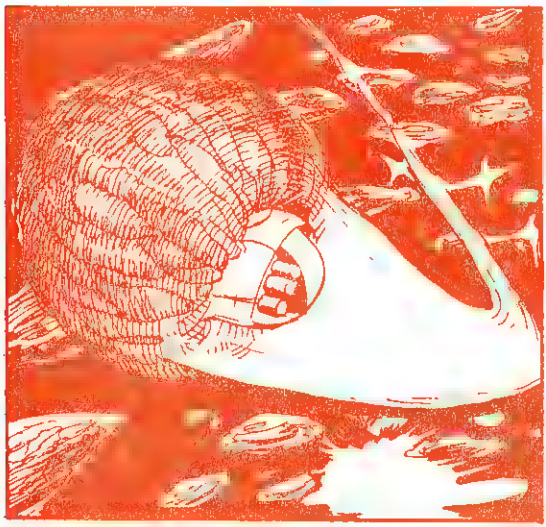
WHAT'S THAT?
MY SENSORS DETECT A LIFE FORM APPROACHING US FROM THE LARGEST ASTEROID
SPACE VULTURES?
THEY'LL SUCK UP ALL OUR ENERGY! CAN'T YOU GET AWAY FROM THEM?
FIRE YOUR PARTICLE BEAM, COSMOS!
TOO LATE! THEY'VE GOT US!

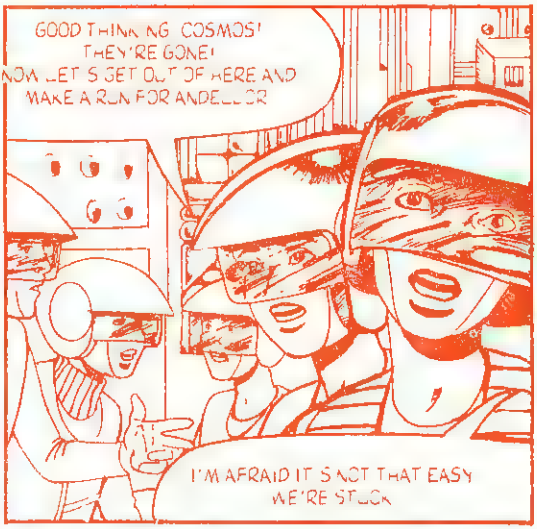
WE RE ALL GONNA DIE!


FON, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
YES I M OKAY BUT HOW CAN WE GET RID OF THESE MONSTERS?
I'M SCARED! I WANNA GO HOME! WE'RE ALL GONNA DIE!
SHUT UP, YOU LOUSY COWARD!
QUIET YOU TWO! COSMOS MAY GET US OUT OF THIS YET!
HANG ON, I LL TRY TO SHAKE THEM! MAYBE THERE S A WAY
LOOK AT THAT OH NO, WE'RE GOING TO CRASH!

WE'RE GO NG IN IT MAY BE THE
ONLY WAY TO SHAKE THEM!






GOOD THINK NG COSMOS!
THEY'RE GONE!
NOW LET S GET OUT OF HERE AND
MAKE A RUN FOR ANDELL OR
I'M AFRAID IT S NOT THAT EASY
WE'RE STUCK

CAN'T YOU GET US OUT OF HERE?
TH S IS CREEPY
WHAT IF WE HIT SOMETHING?

T LL SMASH THE ASTEROID BEFORE
IT SMASHES US!
NOW WE'LL NEVER REACH ANDEL-
LOR!
WE HAVE TO STOP THE DECEPT.C-
ONS

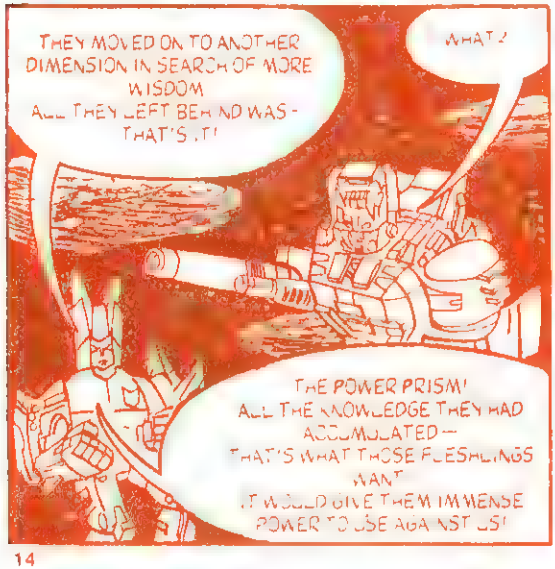
THOUGHT YOU COULD ESCAPE US AUTOBOT? WE SAW YOU LEAVING THE SCIENCE SHIP BEFORE I BLOW YOU INTO SPACE SLAG TELL ME WHERE YOU'RE GOING!
SCORPONOK DESTROY ME IF YOU WANT TO BUT YOU WILL NEVER FIND OUT THE LOCATION OF THE ENERGY SOURCE ON ANDELLOR
HE'S LYING! AUTOBOT SPY! LET'S DESTROY HIM!

WE HAVE TO BUY SOME TIME ENOUGH TO GET THE PRISM AND SAVE OUR PLANET!
WE'RE ALL GONNA DIE! I'M SCARED!
SHUT UP, YOU LOUSY COWARD

THE OTHER TRANSFORMERS WILL EVENTUALLY FIND IT. YOU WILL HAVE CAPTURED THE FLESHLING SCIENTISTS BUT IGNORE THE VERY PRIZE YOU SEEK

YOU'RE SMART, COSMOS. I MUST MAKE A DECISION
WHO CARES. LET'S DESTROY THEM!
LET'S TAKE THEM TO ANDELLOR FIRST AND FIND OUT WHAT THEY'RE AFTER. COSMOS, PROCEED ON YOUR COURSE
YOU'LL TAKE US TO THIS POWER SOURCE NOW

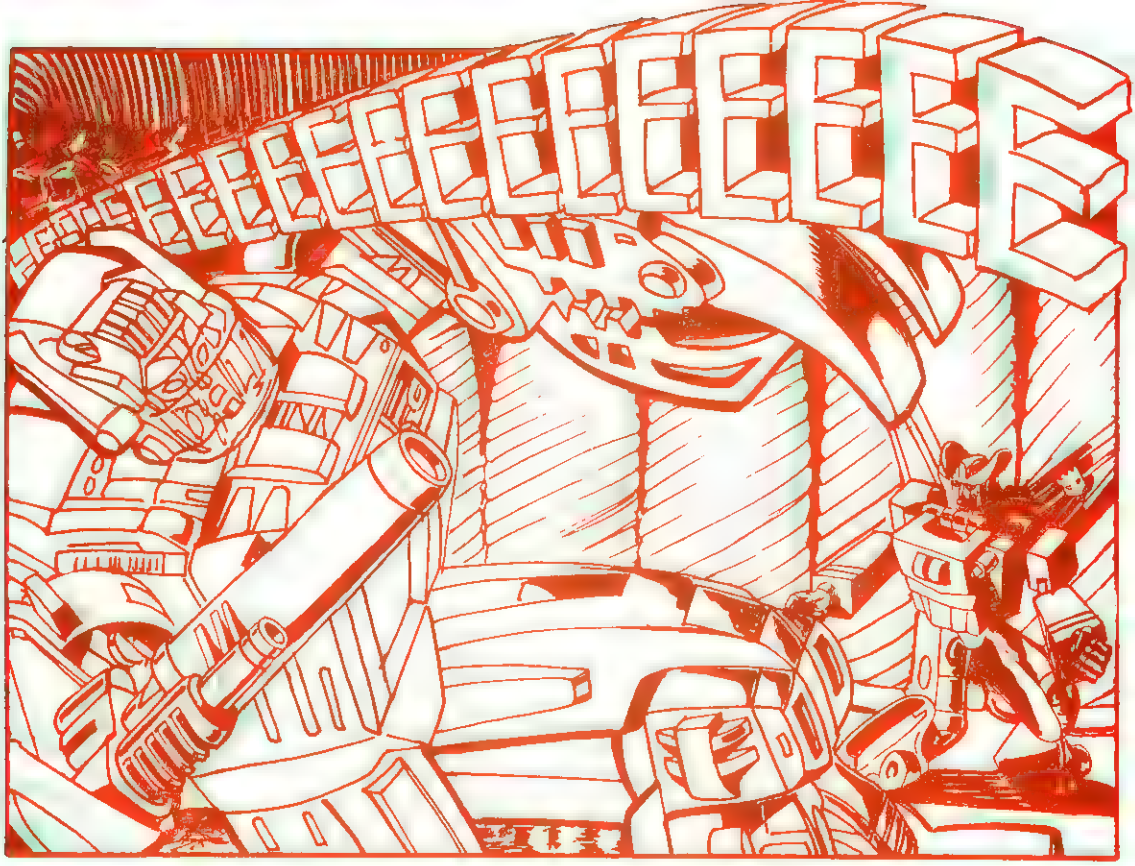
CYCLONUS, GIVE ME THE RUNDOWN ON THIS PLANET
IT WAS ONCE THE HOME OF A HIGHLY EVOLVED CIVILIZATION DEDICATED TO COLLECTING KNOWLEDGE
SORT OF A GIANT LIBRARY PLANET OF ALL THE ACCUMULATED INFORMATION IN THE GALAXY
WHAT HAPPENED TO THEM?


THEY MOVED ON TO ANOTHER DIMENSION IN SEARCH OF MORE WISDOM
ALL THEY LEFT BEHIND WAS - THAT'S IT!
WHAT?
THE POWER PRISM! ALL THE KNOWLEDGE THEY HAD ACCUMULATED— THAT'S WHAT THOSE FLESHLINGS WANT
IT WOULD GIVE THEM IMMENSE POWER TO USE AGAINST US!

THEN THEY MUST LEAD US TO IT. IT'S THE ONLY THING THAT CAN STOP OUR SUSPENSION-RAY BEAM. IT MUST BE DESTROYED

STAY ALERT.
COSMOS HAVE THE FLESHLINGS LEAD THE WAY
THAT'S OUR DESTINATION UP AHEAD — THAT CAVE.
LET ME LEAD THE WAY.
I'M NOT GOING IN THERE!
WE HAVE NO CHOICE

I DON'T LIKE THIS
WHAT'S THAT LIGHT UP AHEAD?
MAYBE IT'S THE PRISM
HOW BEAUTIFUL!
CAREFUL! WE DON'T KNOW WHAT'S IN THERE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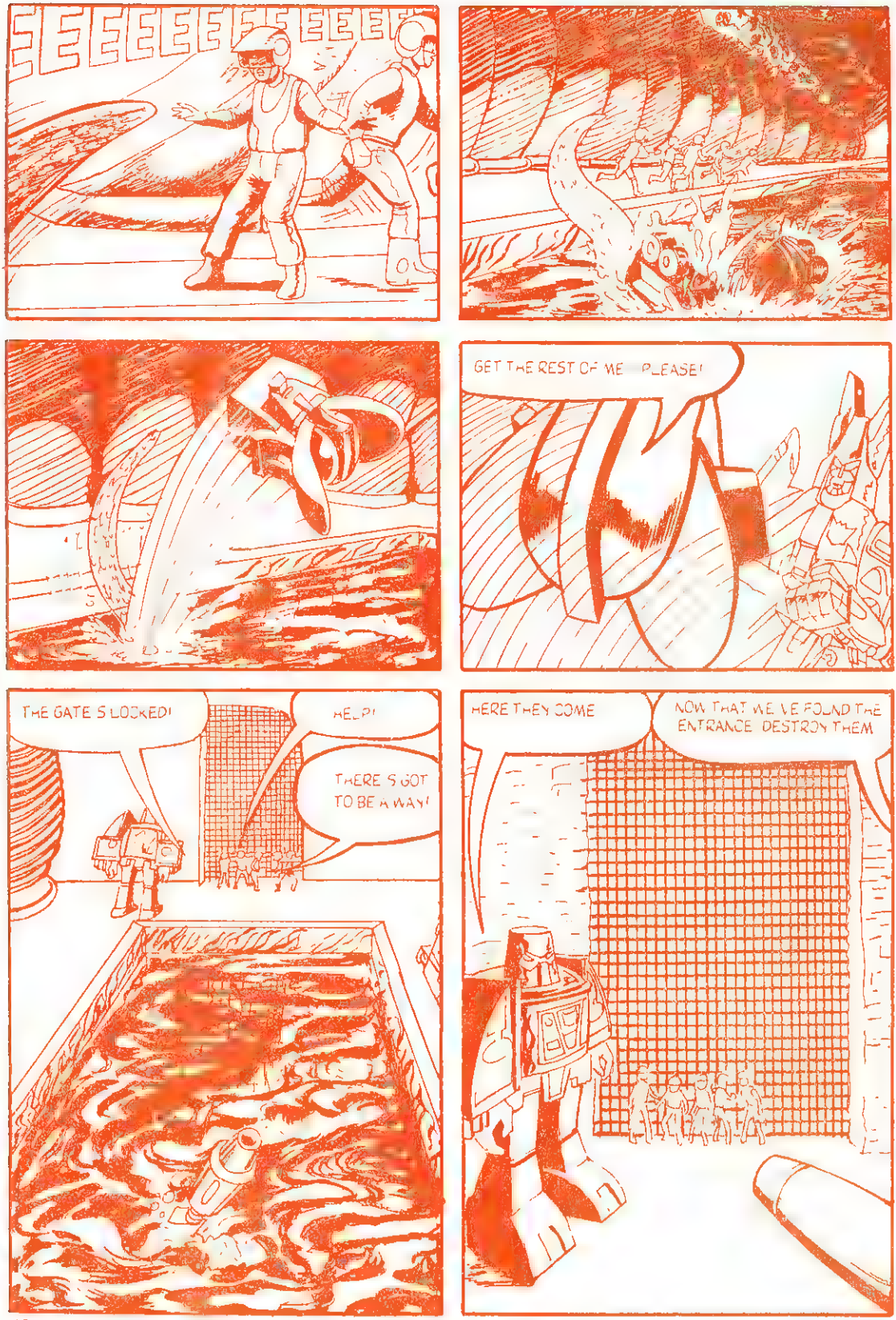
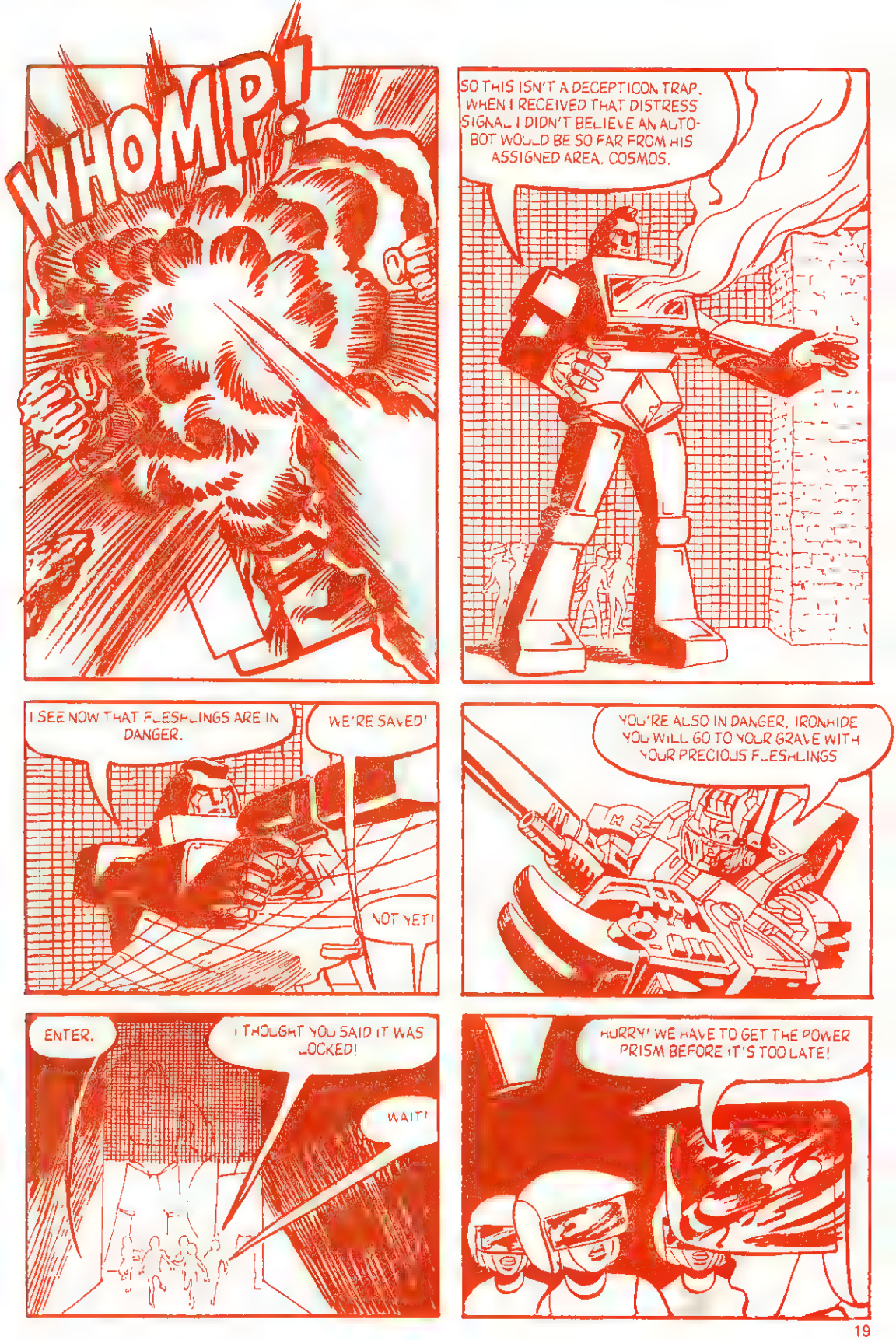
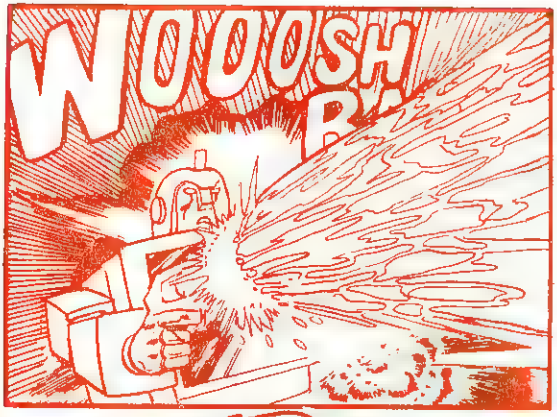

GET THE REST OF ME PLEASE!
THE GATE S LOCKED!
HELP!
THERE S GOT TO BE A WAY!
HERE THEY COME
NOW THAT WE VE FOUND THE ENTRANCE DESTROY THEM


WHOMP!
SO THIS ISN'T A DECEPTICON TRAP. WHEN I RECEIVED THAT DISTRESS SIGNAL I DIDN'T BELIEVE AN AUTO-BOT WOULD BE SO FAR FROM HIS ASSIGNED AREA, COSMOS.
I SEE NOW THAT FLESHLINGS ARE IN DANGER.
WE'RE SAVED!
NOT YET!
YOU'RE ALSO IN DANGER, IRONHIDE YOU WILL GO TO YOUR GRAVE WITH YOUR PRECIOUS FLESHLINGS
ENTER.
I THOUGHT YOU SAID IT WAS LOCKED!
WAIT!
HURRY! WE HAVE TO GET THE POWER PRISM BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE!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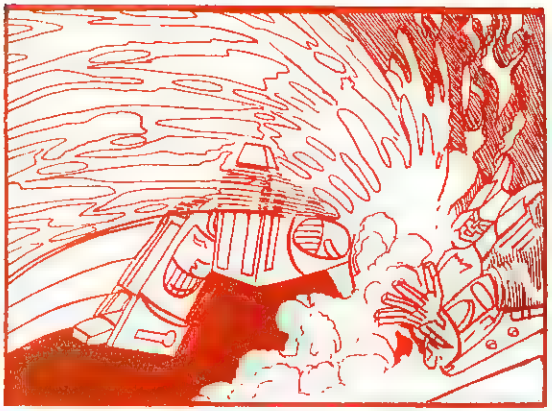

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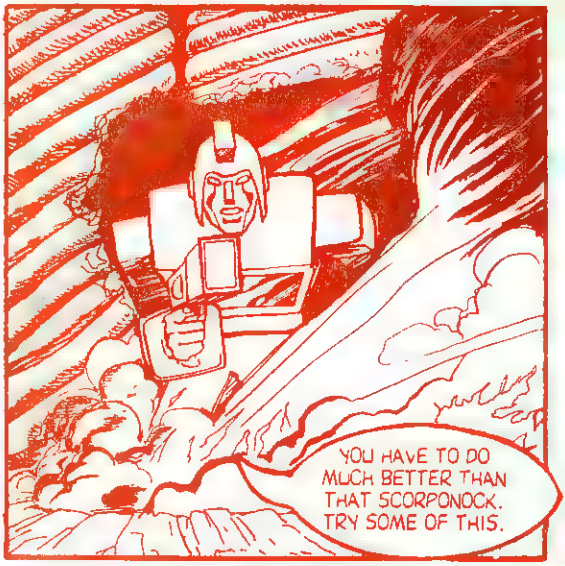
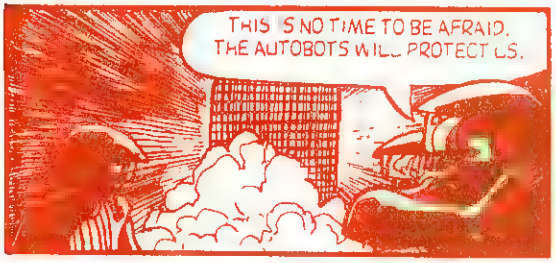
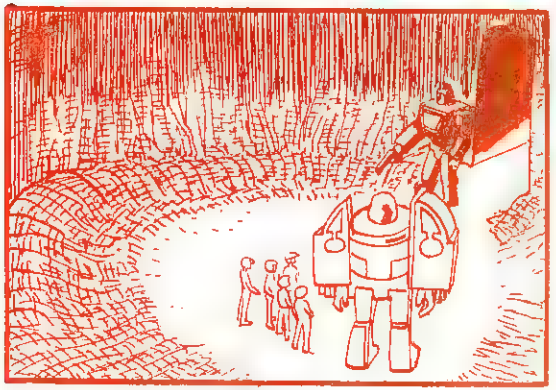
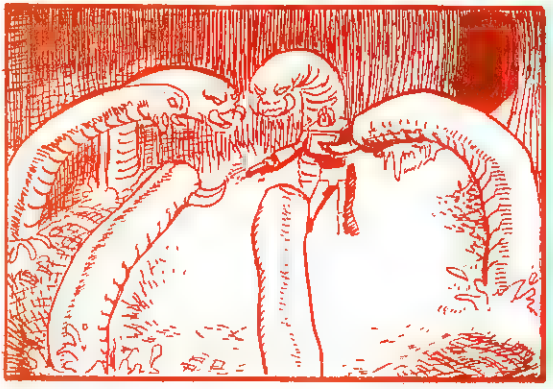
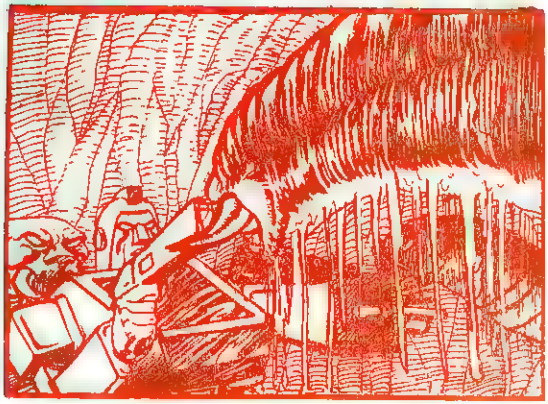

YOU HAVE TO DO MUCH BETTER THAN THAT SCORPONOCK. TRY SOME OF THIS.


THIS IS NO TIME TO BE AFRAID. THE AUTOBOTS WILL PROTECT US.



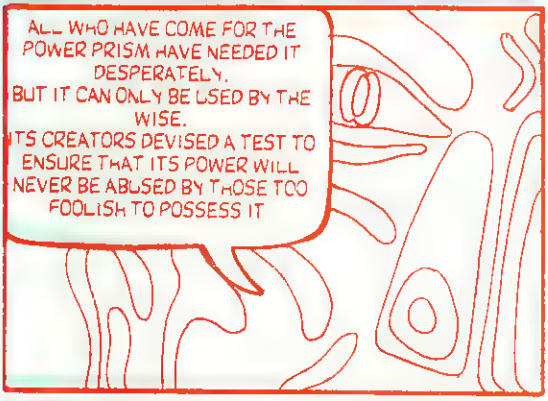


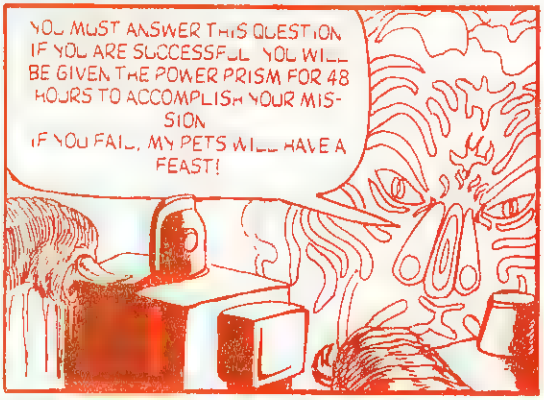


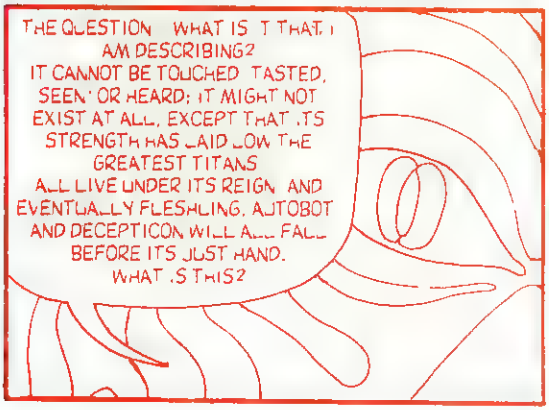
FLESHLINGS, AUTOBOTS—I AM GROGG
FOR A MILLENIUM I HAVE GUARDED THE POWER PRISM FROM INVADERS.

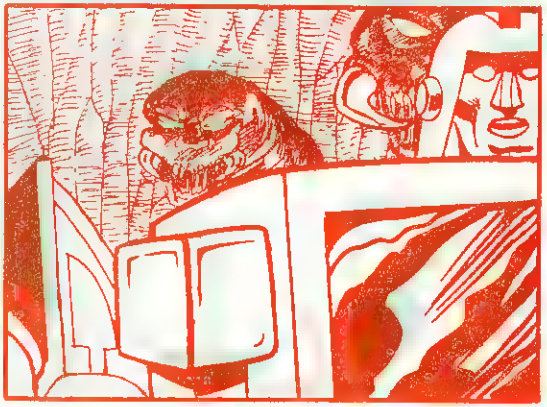
MANY SEEK THE WEALTH OF KNOWLEDGE THE POWER PRISM CONTAINS.
ALL AROUND YOU ARE THE REMAINS OF THOSE WHO'VE FAILED.

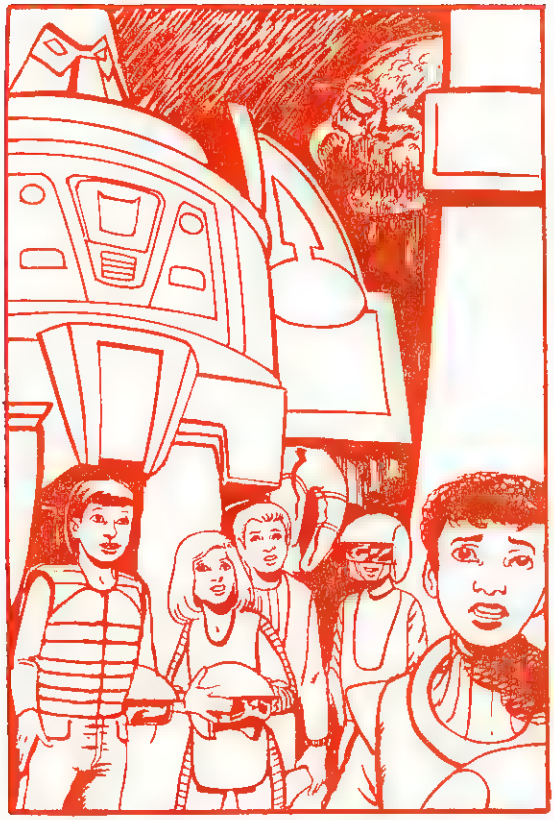
WE ARE ON A PEACEFUL MISSION. THE USE OF YOUR POWER PRISM COULD SAVE THE FLESHLINGS OF AN ENTIRE PLANET!
WE CAN RETURN IT TO YOU BUT WE MUST HAVE IT NOW. BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE TO SAVE EXTON-9!


ALL WHO HAVE COME FOR THE POWER PRISM HAVE NEEDED IT DESPERATELY.
BUT IT CAN ONLY BE USED BY THE WISE.
ITS CREATORS DEVISED A TEST TO ENSURE THAT ITS POWER WILL NEVER BE ABUSED BY THOSE TOO FOOLISH TO POSSESS IT


YOU MUST ANSWER THIS QUESTION. IF YOU ARE SUCCESSFUL YOU WILL BE GIVEN THE POWER PRISM FOR 48 HOURS TO ACCOMPLISH YOUR MISSION.
IF YOU FAIL, MY PETS WILL HAVE A FEAST!


THE QUESTION. WHAT IS IT THAT I AM DESCRIBING?
IT CANNOT BE TOUCHED, TASTED, SEEN, OR HEARD; IT MIGHT NOT EXIST AT ALL, EXCEPT THAT ITS STRENGTH HAS LAID LOW THE GREATEST TITANS.
ALL LIVE UNDER ITS REIGN, AND EVENTUALLY FLESHLING, AUTOBOT AND DECEPTICON WILL ALL FALL BEFORE ITS JUST HAND.
WHAT IS THIS?





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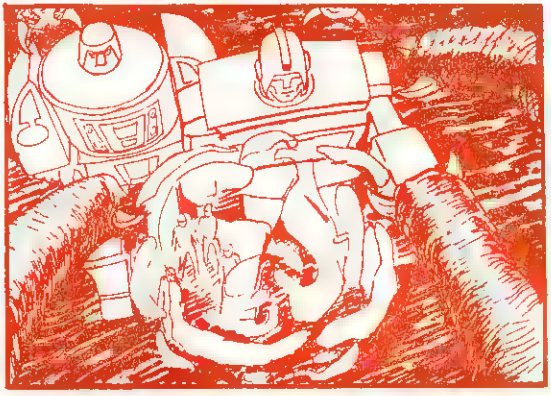
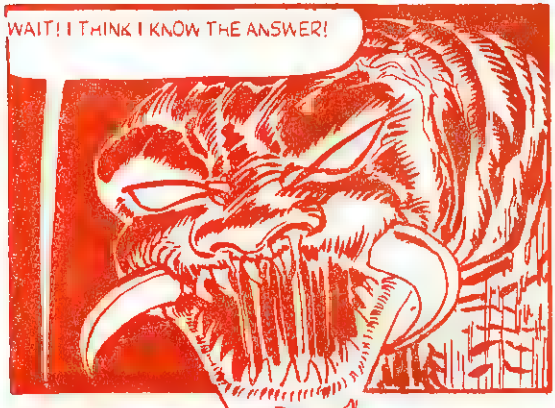



WAIT! I THINK I KNOW THE ANSWER!

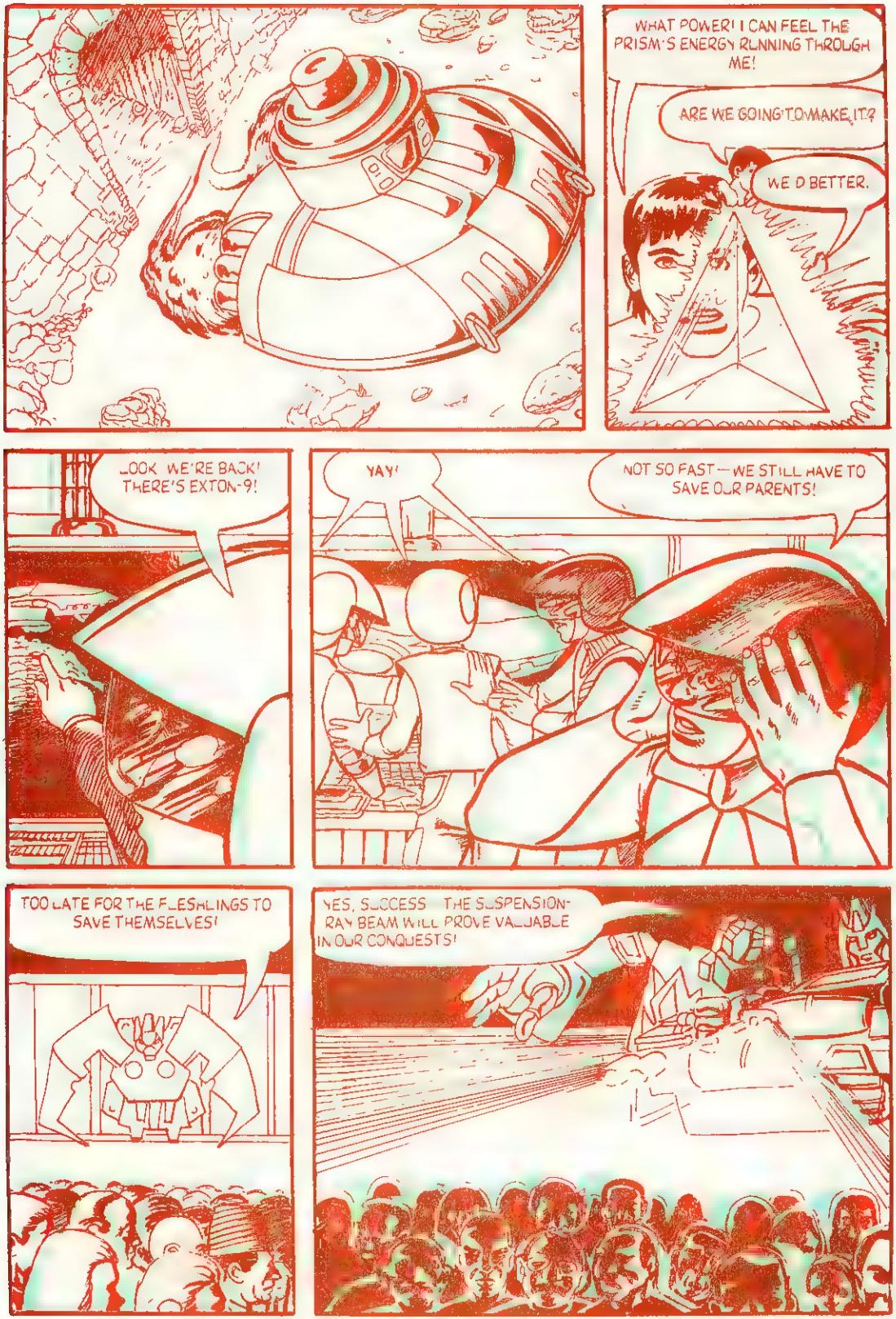
TIME!

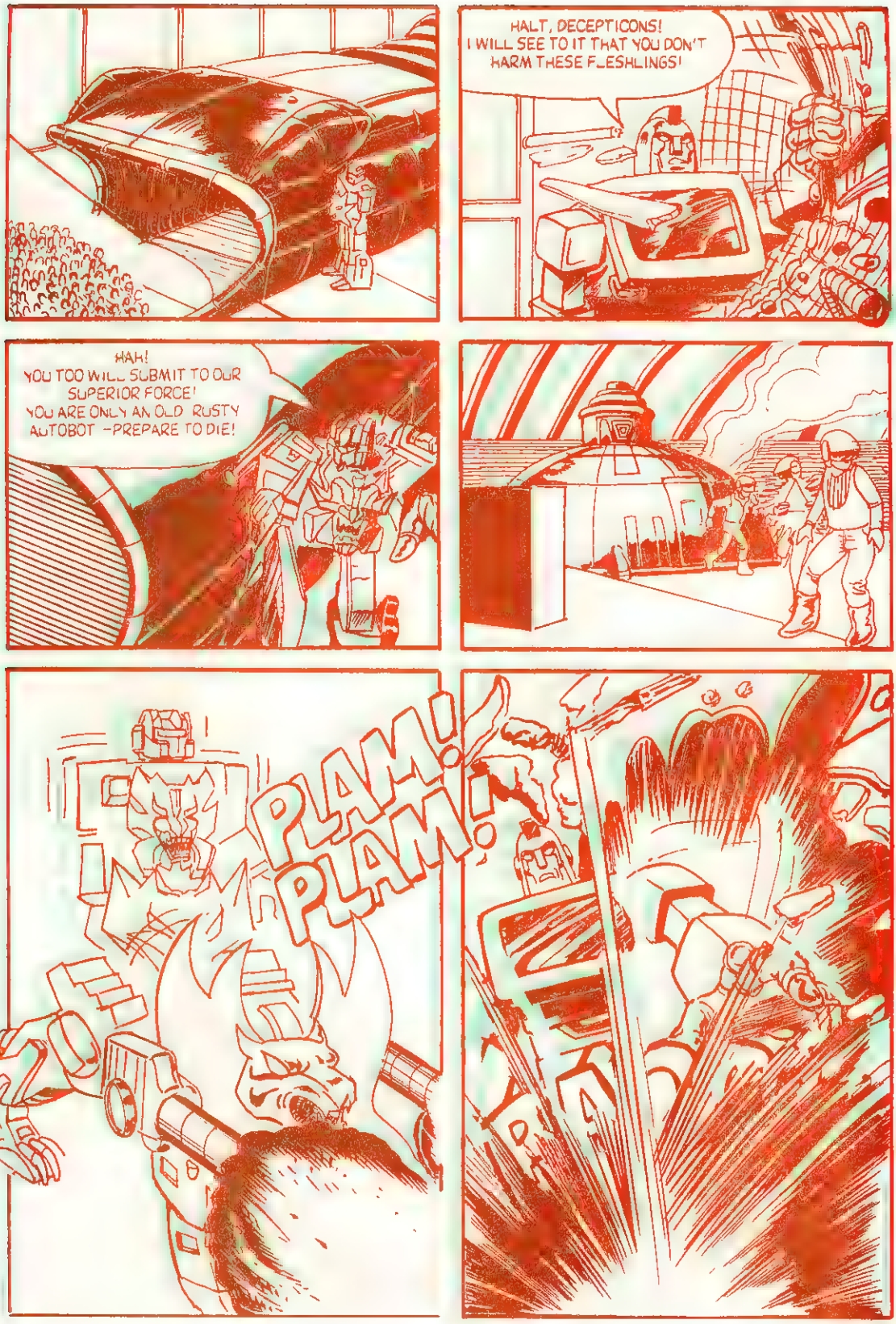
FOR A MILLENIUM I HAVE DESPAIRED OF EVER FINDING A BEING POSSESSING THE WISDOM TO ANSWER THIS QUESTION. THE PRISM IS YOURS FOR 48 HOURS—AND I WILL KEEP HER HERE UNTIL IT IS SAFELY RETURNED.

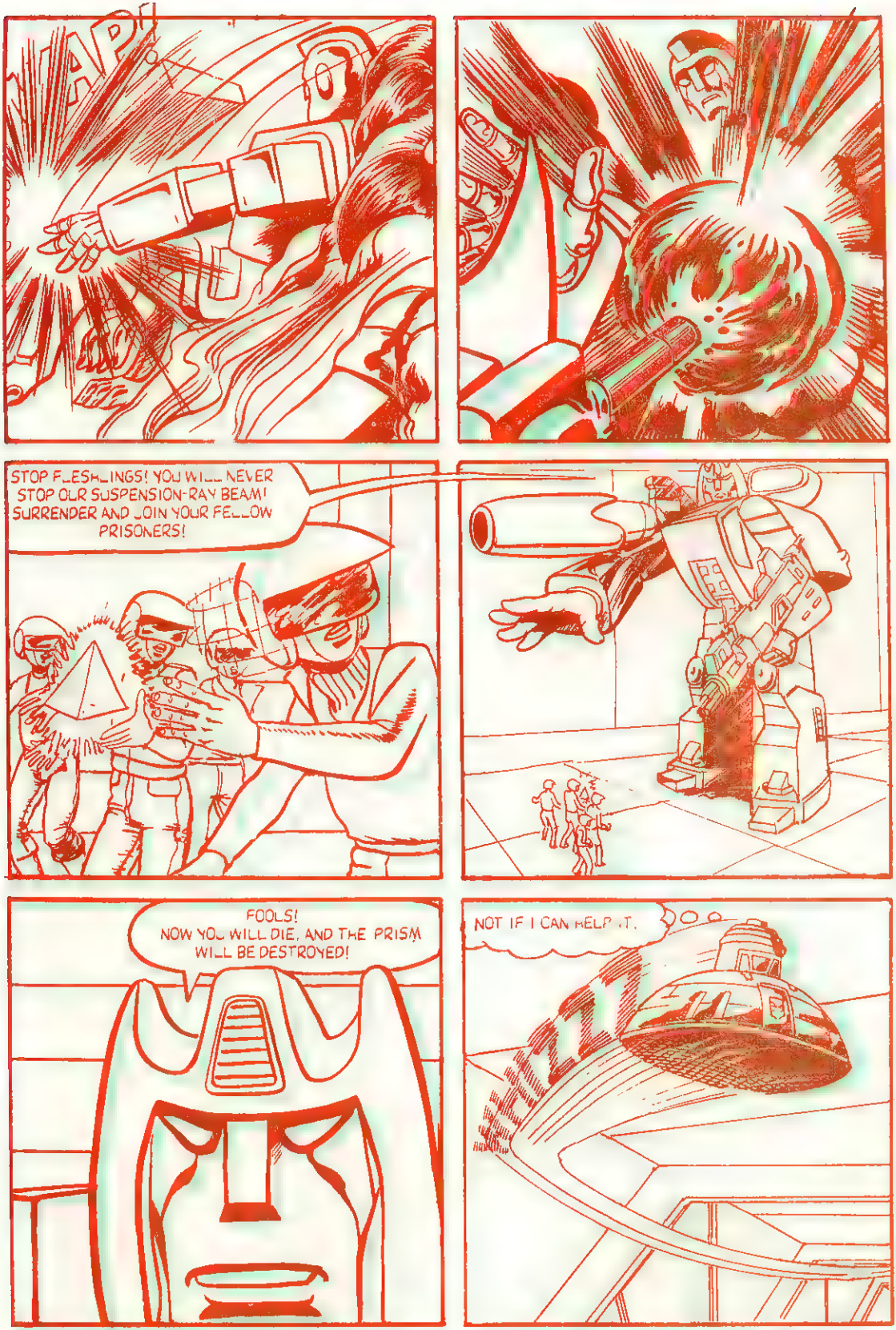
NO—YOU CAN'T KEEP HER!
CALM DOWN—WE'LL BE BACK FOR HER!
WE HAVE TO GET BACK! WE'LL JUST HAVE TO LEAVE HER HERE.

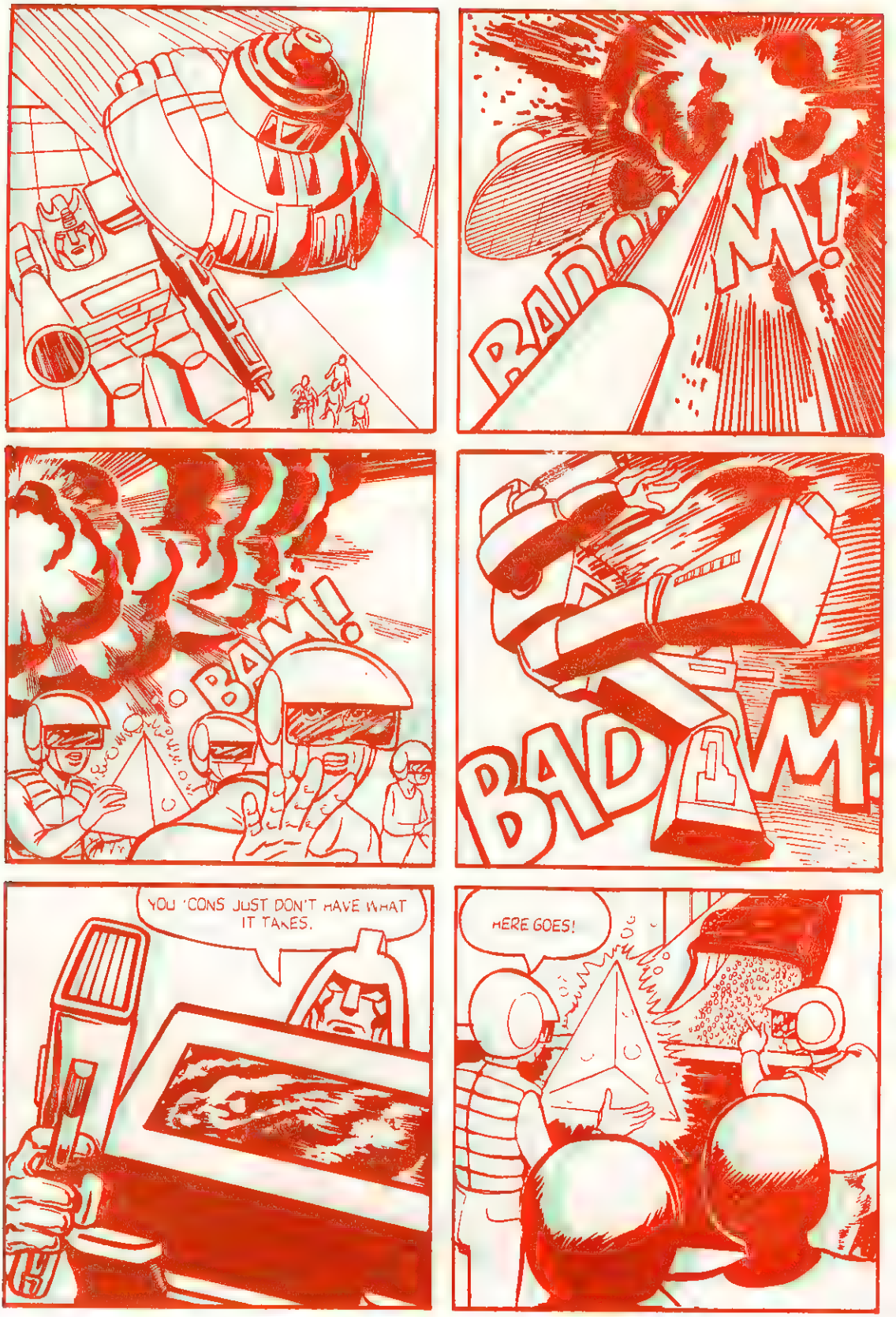
I WILL RETURN FOR HER, ALI. WE MUST GET THAT PRISM BACK TO EXTON-9.

SSSH! DO YOU HEAR THAT RUMBLING SOUND?
LOOK


WHAT POWER! I CAN FEEL THE PRISM'S ENERGY RUNNING THROUGH ME!
ARE WE GOING TO MAKE IT?
WE'D BETTER.
LOOK WE'RE BACK! THERE'S EXTON-9!
YAY!
NOT SO FAST—WE STILL HAVE TO SAVE OUR PARENTS!
TOO LATE FOR THE FLESHLINGS TO SAVE THEMSELVES!
YES, SUCCESS THE SUSPENSION-RAY BEAM WILL PROVE VALUABLE IN OUR CONQUESTS!


HALT, DECEPTICONS!
I WILL SEE TO IT THAT YOU DON'T HARM THESE FLESHLINGS!
HAH!
YOU TOO WILL SUBMIT TO OUR SUPERIOR FORCE!
YOU ARE ONLY AN OLD RUSTY AUTOBOT -PREPARE TO DIE!
PLAM!
PLAM!


ZAP!
STOP FLESHLINGS! YOU WILL NEVER STOP OUR SUSPENSION-RAY BEAM! SURRENDER AND JOIN YOUR FELLOW PRISONERS!
FOOLS! NOW YOU WILL DIE, AND THE PRISM WILL BE DESTROYED!
NOT IF I CAN HELP IT.


BADAM!
BAM!
BADAM!
YOU 'CONS JUST DON'T HAVE WHAT IT TAKES.
HERE GOES!

THE POWER OF THE PYRAMID RADIATES OUTWARD NULLIFYING THE EFFECTS OF THE PARALYSIS BEAM
WE MUST RETURN THAT PRISM AND GET YOUR FRIEND BACK!
I UNDERSTAND COSMOS. YOU RISKED YOUR LIFE TO HELP US AND, THANK YOU
LET ME GO WITH YOU!
YOU ARE A NOBLE FRIEND AL YOU AND ALL YOUR FRIENDS
PERHAPS WE WILL MEET AGAIN ONE DAY
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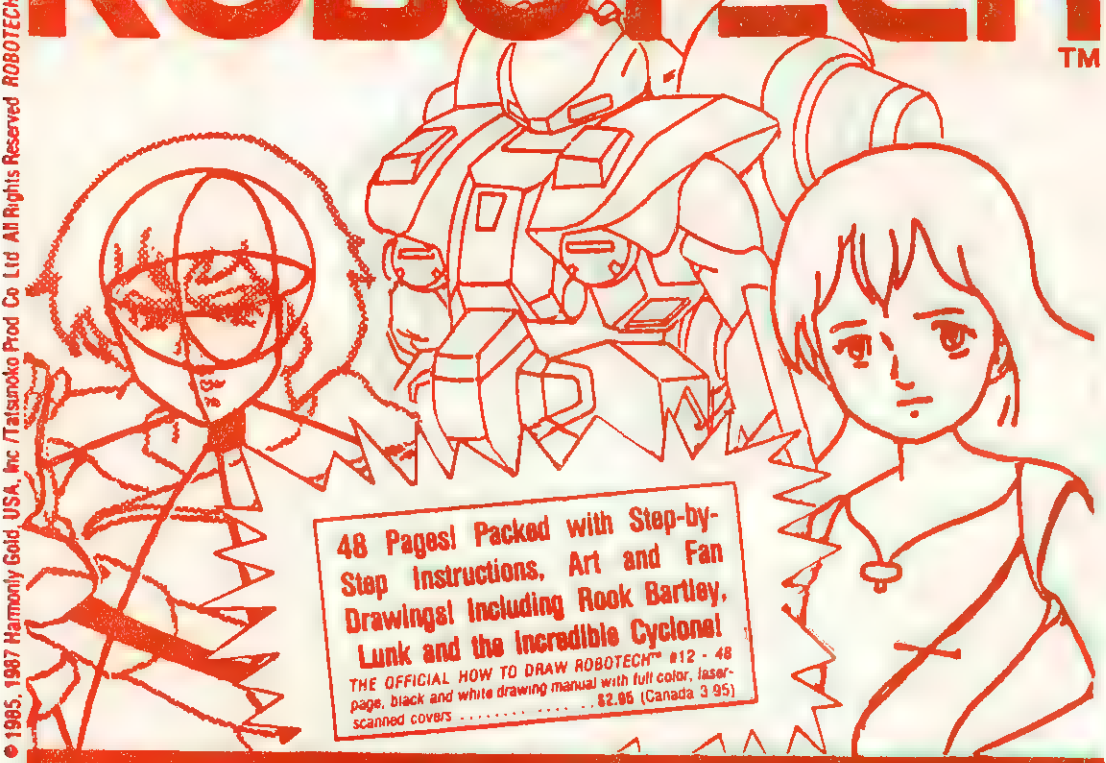

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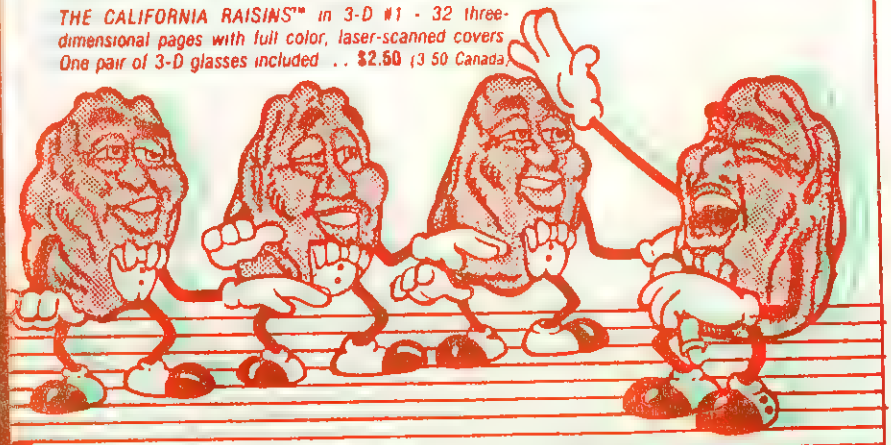

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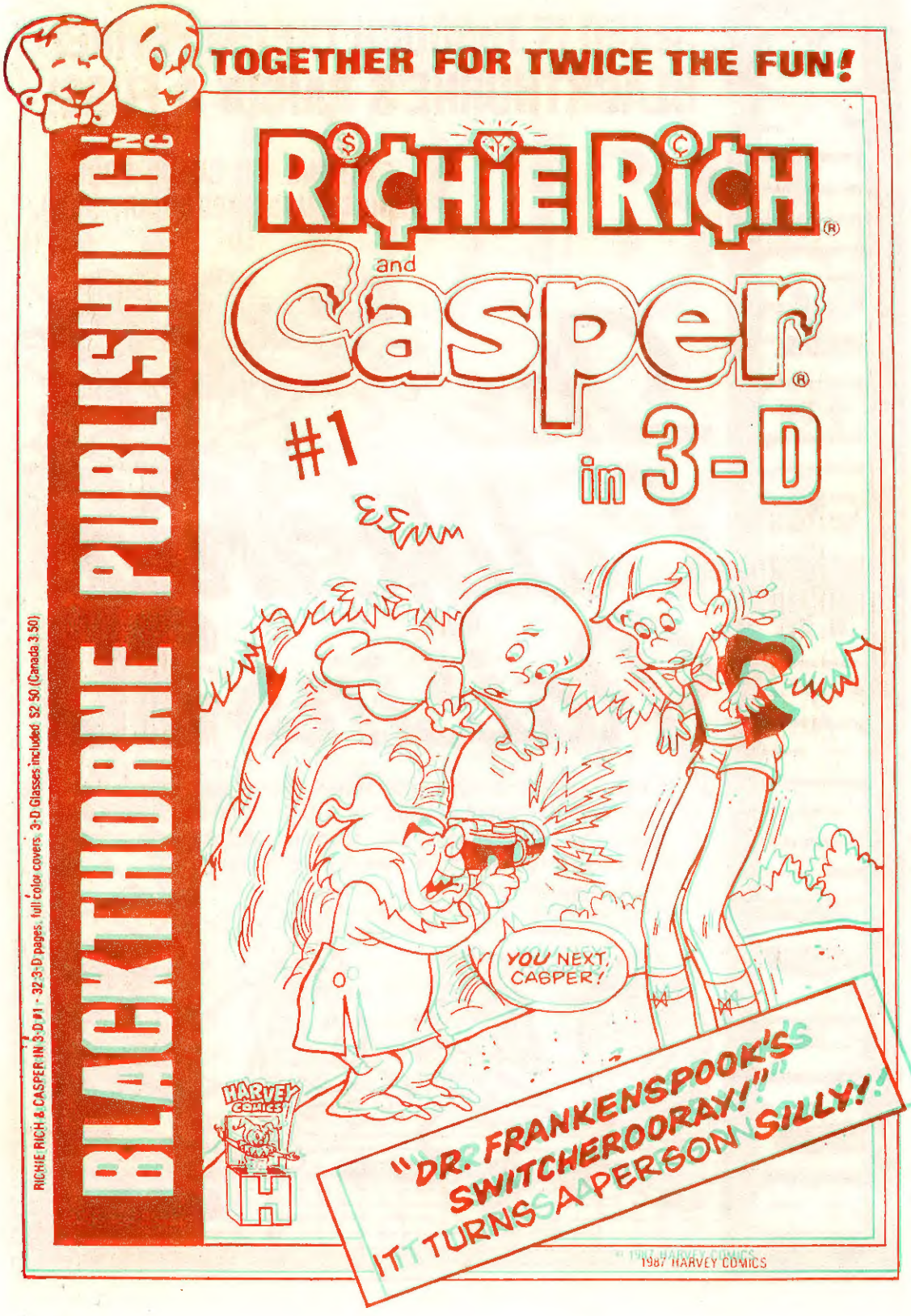
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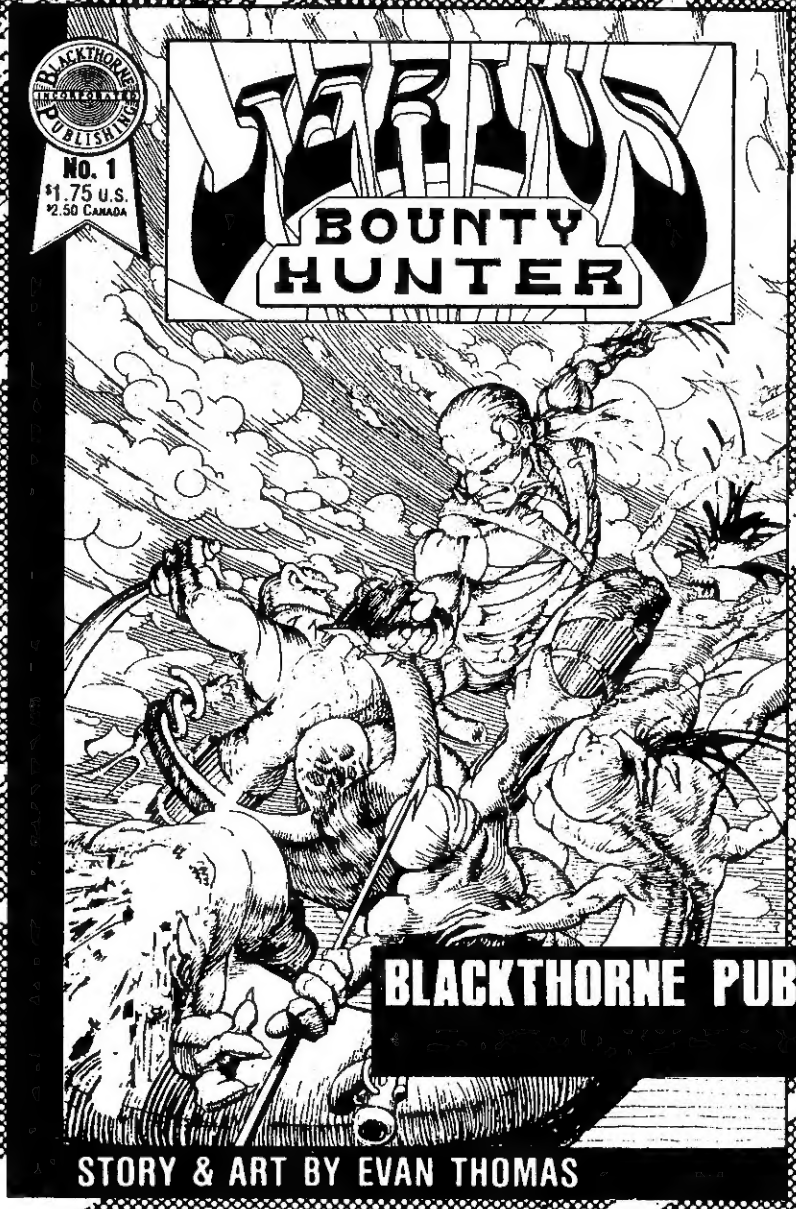

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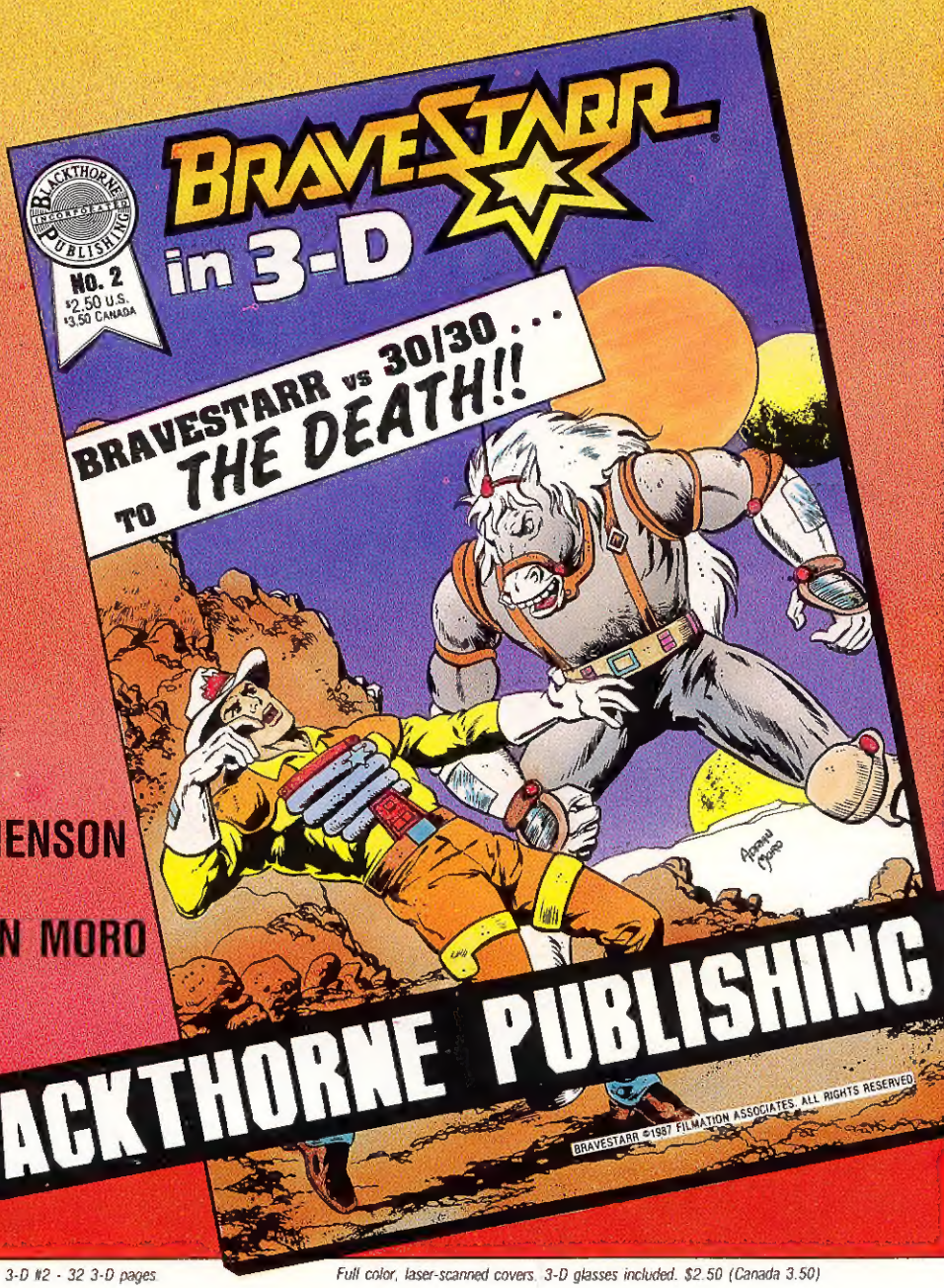

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